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person, that such transfer required a license or authorization issued pursuant to this part and was not so licensed or authorized, or, if a license or authorization did purport to cover the transfer, that such license or authorization had been obtained by misrepresentation of a third party or withholding of material facts or was otherwise fraudulently obtained; and

- (3) The person with whom such property is or was held or maintained filed with the Office of Foreign Assets Control a report setting forth in full the circumstances relating to such transfer promptly upon discovery that:
- (i) Such transfer was in violation of the provisions of this part or any regulation, ruling, instruction, license, or other directive or authorization issued pursuant to this part;
- (ii) Such transfer was not licensed or authorized by the Office of Foreign Assets Control; or
- (iii) If a license did purport to cover the transfer, such license had been obtained by misrepresentation of a third party or withholding of material facts or was otherwise fraudulently obtained.

Note to paragraph (d) of §588.202: The filing of a report in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (d)(3) of this section shall not be deemed evidence that the terms of paragraphs (d)(1) and (d)(2) of this section have been satisfied.

(e) Unless licensed pursuant to this part, any attachment, judgment, decree, lien, execution, garnishment, or other judicial process is null and void with respect to any property in which, on or since the effective date, there existed an interest of a person whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to \$588.201(a).

§ 588.203 Holding of funds in interestbearing accounts; investment and reinvestment.

(a) Except as provided in paragraphs (e) or (f) of this section, or as otherwise directed by the Office of Foreign Assets Control, any U.S. person holding funds, such as currency, bank deposits, or liquidated financial obligations, subject to §588.201(a) shall hold or place such funds in a blocked interest-bearing account located in the United States.

- (b)(1) For purposes of this section, the term *blocked interest-bearing account* means a blocked account:
- (i) In a federally-insured U.S. bank, thrift institution, or credit union, provided the funds are earning interest at rates that are commercially reasonable; or
- (ii) With a broker or dealer registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78a *et seq.*), provided the funds are invested in a money market fund or in U.S. Treasury bills.
- (2) Funds held or placed in a blocked account pursuant to paragraph (a) of this section may not be invested in instruments the maturity of which exceeds 180 days.
- (c) For purposes of this section, a rate is commercially reasonable if it is the rate currently offered to other depositors on deposits or instruments of comparable size and maturity.
- (d) For purposes of this section, if interest is credited to a separate blocked account or subaccount, the name of the account party on each account must be the same.
- (e) Blocked funds held in instruments the maturity of which exceeds 180 days at the time the funds become subject to \$588.201(a) may continue to be held until maturity in the original instrument, provided any interest, earnings, or other proceeds derived therefrom are paid into a blocked interest-bearing account in accordance with paragraphs (a) or (f) of this section.
- (f) Blocked funds held in accounts or instruments outside the United States at the time the funds become subject to §588.201(a) may continue to be held in the same type of accounts or instruments, provided the funds earn interest at rates that are commercially reasonable.
- (g) This section does not create an affirmative obligation for the holder of blocked tangible property, such as chattels or real estate, or of other blocked property, such as debt or equity securities, to sell or liquidate such property. However, the Office of Foreign Assets Control may issue licenses permitting or directing such sales or liquidation in appropriate cases.
- (h) Funds subject to this section may not be held, invested, or reinvested in a

manner that provides immediate financial or economic benefit or access to any person whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to §588.201(a), nor may their holder cooperate in or facilitate the pledging or other attempted use as collateral of blocked funds or other assets.

§ 588.204 Expenses of maintaining blocked physical property; liquidation of blocked property.

- (a) Except as otherwise authorized, and notwithstanding the existence of any rights or obligations conferred or imposed by any international agreement or contract entered into or any license or permit granted prior to the effective date, all expenses incident to the maintenance of physical property blocked pursuant to §588.201(a) shall be the responsibility of the owners or operators of such property, which expenses shall not be met from blocked funds.
- (b) Property blocked pursuant to §588.201(a) may, in the discretion of the Office of Foreign Assets Control, be sold or liquidated and the net proceeds placed in a blocked interest-bearing account in the name of the owner of the property.

§ 588.205 Evasions; attempts; conspiracies

- (a) Except as otherwise authorized, and notwithstanding any contract entered into or any license or permit granted prior to the effective date, any transaction by a U.S. person or within the United States on or after the effective date that evades or avoids, has the purpose of evading or avoiding, or attempts to violate any of the prohibitions set forth in this part is prohibited.
- (b) Except as otherwise authorized, and notwithstanding any contract entered into or any license or permit granted prior to the effective date, any conspiracy formed to violate the prohibitions set forth in this part is prohibited

Subpart C—General Definitions

§ 588.301 Blocked account; blocked property.

The terms blocked account and blocked property shall mean any account or property subject to the prohibitions in §588.201 held in the name of a person whose property and interests in propare blocked pursuant §588.201(a), or in which such person has an interest, and with respect to which transfers, payments. exportations. withdrawals, or other dealings may not be made or effected except pursuant to an authorization or license from the Office of Foreign Assets Control expressly authorizing such action.

NOTE TO \$588.301: See \$588.411 concerning the blocked status of property and interests in property of an entity that is 50 percent or more owned by a person whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to \$588.201(a).

§ 588.302 Effective date.

The term *effective date* refers to the effective date of the applicable prohibitions and directives contained in this part as follows:

- (a)(1) With respect to a person whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to \$588.201(a)(1), whose name appeared on the Annex to Executive Order 13219 as originally issued and also appeared on the Annex to Executive Order 13304, 12:01 a.m. eastern daylight time on June 27, 2001;
- (2) With respect to a person whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to \$588.201(a)(1), whose name first appeared on the Annex to Executive Order 13304, which replaced and superseded the Annex to Executive Order 13219, 12:01 a.m. eastern daylight time on May 29, 2003; and
- (b) With respect to a person whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to §588.201(a)(2), the earlier of the date of actual or constructive notice that such person's property and interests in property are blocked.

§ 588.303 Entity.

The term *entity* means a partnership, association, trust, joint venture, corporation, group, subgroup, or other organization.